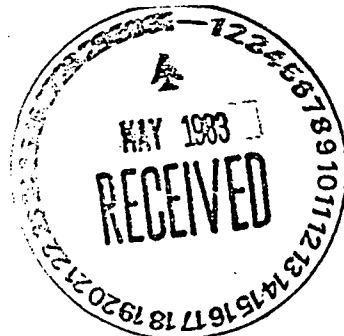




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Mr. Steven Garfinkel
Director
Information Security Oversight Office
General Services Administration
Washington, DC 20405

Dear Mr. Garfinkel:

This responds to your letter of 16 May 1983 concerning the New York Times article on the visit to the Marshall Library by National Security Agency personnel. We will be pleased to provide a full briefing on the circumstances surrounding the visit.

I have asked my Chief of Information Security, Mike Levin, to contact you and arrange a briefing time which is convenient to your schedule.

Sincerely,

LINCOLN D. FAURER
Lieutenant General, USAF
Director, NSA/Chief, CSS

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The Honorable Glenn English
Chairman of the Subcommittee
on Government Information
Justice and Agriculture
Committee on Government Operations
United States House of Representatives
Room 2235 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am pleased to respond to your letter of 5 May 1983, concerning the New York Times article of Thursday, 28 April 1983, about persons from the National Security Agency (NSA) visiting the George C. Marshall Research Library.

The Marshall Library, though a private institution, has a government-authorized, secure-storage facility to protect SECRET information in the collections entrusted to it by various donors. Certain personnel at the Library have government-authorized security clearances to permit them to handle sensitive information contained in the collections. The collections of two former NSA officials, former Technical Advisor to the Director, William F. Friedman, and former Director, LTG Marshall S. Carter, USA, Retired, (now President of the Marshall Foundation) have been deposited with the Library. The Friedman Collection was, in fact, transported to the Marshall Library by NSA under armed guard at the request of the Marshall Foundation to ensure the protection of sensitive information.

NSA has had a long and mutually beneficial relationship with the Library and has declassified much information in the Friedman collection for open use. In addition, we have provided the Library copies of other materials recently declassified for use in their historical research programs.

The answers to your questions and a copy of a letter to General Carter relating to this matter are attached.

Sincerely,

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